

# CROSSFIELD CHRONICLE

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The Sports Club meeting to have been held on Monday had to be postponed on account of the storm and will be held on Thursday evening. Being too late for this edition a full account will be given in next week's paper.

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## Local News

The funeral service for Gordon William, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Mumby had to be postponed on Monday, owing to the funeral directors being unable to get through on the highway during the blizzard. Services were held in the Church of the Ascension on Tuesday morning at 10:30 a.m. with Rev. J. R. B. Vance officiating. Interment was in the Crossfield cemetery.

We would like to draw the attention of the general public to the fact that one does not have to be a member to attend the meetings of the Home and School Association, and with the guest speaker at the May meeting being Hon. Ivan Casey, Minister of Education, it is hoped and expected that there will be a large turn-out.

Several members of the local branch of the C.G.I.T. attended the annual Conference of that body, which met in the First Baptist church, in Calgary on April 18th-19th. Those in attendance were—Misses Marion Sundal, Margery Banta, Edna Jensen and Hazel Fisher, each of whom report having had a wonderful time. The Saturday afternoon session comprised interest group games, work and worship while in the evening a banquet was held. On Sunday morning all attended a special church service conducted by Dr. Jones in the First Baptist church.

A meeting of the members of the Junior Barley club was held in the Curling Rink on Thursday of last week. Some twenty-eight members were present and heard a talk given by H. McPhail, District Agriculturist, on the various precautions that should be taken to ensure a good crop of barley on their plots. Mr. H. A. Bannister showed several films of pictures he had taken in various places, including those taken at the seedling beds held on the Russell hills farm last spring.

The Annual Meeting of the members of the C.W.L. was held on Thursday last at the home of Mrs. J. Lennon. Officers elected for 1948 were—President Mrs. A. Bannister; Vice-President Mrs. M. Stafford and Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. M. Mason; Counsellors elected were—Mesdames Lennon, McNally and Benoit. The next regular monthly meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. P. Collins.

## CROSSFIELD COMMUNITY MEMORIAL CENTRE

It is with regret that we announce the dissolution of the committee entrusted with the task of raising funds for the Memorial Centre. At a meeting held last week the committee were unanimously agreed that it appeared impossible to raise even enough to start on the project, and the only thing to do would be to return the cheques to those who had contributed. AND THUS OUR WAR MEMORIAL BECOMES BUT A MEMORY. It may well be that the fact that this was to have been our contribution to the memory of those who gave their lives so that we could have a few more years of peace, has been lost sight of, memories can be useful short, when it is convenient for them so to be. They did not volunteer to go and fight for us with the hopes that there would be any glory attached to it, but they at least had the right to think that those left behind might appreciate the fact that they were offering their all for the cause of freedom. The boys who fought in the first war came back and built what was in those days considered to be a memorial, so perhaps the boys who fought in the second war might be the ones to build this proposed memorial. One thing sadly lacking in this drive was the co-operation of other organizations in the drive for funds. It had been anticipated that each one of them would raise some money, each in their own way, but very little was done, everything being left to the canvassers, who did not meet with the response they had expected.

The way is now open for some other organization or committee to take the matter up, and it is hoped that it will not be left to die altogether.

Miss Olga Anderson left on Saturday last to visit her relatives in Manitoba.

The Crossfield Fish & Game annual Fish Derby opens May 1st. More particulars in next week's issue.

Mrs. J. Rau is a patient in the Calgary General hospital where she underwent an operation on Monday of this week. At the last report she was going nicely.

Miss at Waterhouse, one of our native daughters and now a stenographer in the East, spent a few days last week of the Mrs. E. E. Walker.

Cyril Sexton has obtained a situation in Calgary and hopes to soon have a house for his family.

Mrs. Ida Hall is staying with the Tronnes family while her own dwelling is being remodelled.

A broken wire on the main line of the Calgary Power Ltd. caused considerable inconvenience recently, with the power on, and off for the best part of the day.

Several local residents were in Red Deer on Saturday last attending a meeting of the Independent party being held at the Buffalo Hotel. No definite decisions were made and more meetings will be held at other points before deciding on what action will be taken at the next provincial election.

The initial meeting of the Junior Women's Auxiliary was held in the United church parlor on April 17th. The name "Avanti" (meaning ahead) was chosen for the club. While the organization is a junior branch of the United Church Women's Auxiliary, it is not restricted to junior ladies only, it is for the express purpose of allowing who cannot attend the afternoon meetings to meet in the evening. Activities are well under way and anyone interested is invited to attend. Business meetings will be held on the first Wednesday of each month commencing at 8 o'clock in the church parlor. Serving meetings will be held on the remaining Wednesdays at the homes of the members. For further information get in touch with the President Mrs. Mansell or Secretary Mrs. Neff.

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## HIGHLIGHTS ROSEBUD HEALTH DISTRICT BOARD MEETING APRIL 23

Chairman Mr. A. Dunkey presiding, executive and other members present with the exception of the Carstairs representative, Dr. A. Somerville; Assistant Deputy Minister also in attendance.

Contributing municipalities having agreed to increased requisitions, new salary schedule retroactive to April 1st put into effect.

A very fine and useful Bay book has been compiled by Dr. Allan and will be off the press shortly.

Due to road conditions school examinations have been more or less confined to towns and villages this quarter.

Miss Brauer's resignation was accepted with effect 9th June when wedding bells will ring. Miss Brauer is the Secretary-Treasurer.

Stronger measures were advocated to ensure better sanitation.

A wedding of local interest took place at the Scarborough Avenue United Church on Saturday evening last, when Rev. J. V. Howey of Okotoks read the marriage service at which his son, Gerald Foster Howey, exchanged nuptial vows with Marie Frances Wahlstrom, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Wahlstrom of Portage la Prairie, Man. James Howey attended his brother as the groomsmen and the guests were ushered by Bruce and Jack Leyden. Following the ceremony a reception was held at 927 19th Ave. West, where the bride party was assisted in receiving the guests by the bride's mother and Mrs. J. V. Howey, mother of the groom. Rev. Dwight Powell proposed the bridal toast, to which the groom responded. After a wedding "trip" by motor through the western States, the couple will make their home in Calgary.

Eddie Kangas, one of the hands at the Hector McDonald ranch, had his car stolen in Calgary last week. The thief just stepped in almost under Ed's nose and drove away, before he could be stopped. The car was recovered by the city police, it having been abandoned later, the damage done was to the lady's dignity.

We wish to thank our many friends for their kind letters and cards of sympathy in the recent loss of our husband and father.  
Mrs. Russell Bill and family of Van Nuys, California

## FROM HER STREAMS BLOOD



Thousands of people streamed from all over Germany to see the Good Friday miracle at Konnerbreuth. They came to wonder at the possession of Theresa Neumann (above), who bleeds from wounds each Good Friday. Out of nail-like wounds in her palms and out of her shoulder, where the Lord carried the Cross, blood rushes each year on the anniversary of his death.

## SCHOOLS OF AGRICULTURE SHORT COURSES

Officials of the Alberta Department of Agriculture and staffs of the Schools of Agriculture at Olds and Vermilion are now working out details for programmes for short courses and conferences to be held at the schools during the coming summer.

At the Olds School of Agriculture for the following events, with corresponding dates will be conducted—Junior Club Leaders' Conference June 28 and 29; Quantity Cookery Course, June 30th to July 3rd; Boys and Girls' Junior Club Week, week of July 8th; Farm Women's Week, July 12th to 18th; Women's Institute Girls Club Conference, July 20th to 23rd.

## CARD OF THANKS

To our many friends and neighbors who, in so many ways offered their assistance, for the many lovely flowers and the many messages of sympathy received, we would like to express our sincere thanks.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Mumby and family.

Wm. Stralo had the misfortune to get his hand in a belt on one of the machines at the Becker's Furniture works and escaped with one badly lacerated finger.

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## Progress In Housing

FOR SOME TIME HOUSING has been one of Canada's foremost problems and in spite of efforts which have been made to solve it, it appears that there is no immediate prospect of an end to the present situation, although undoubtedly progress has been made. While the situation is most complicated in the larger cities, there are few communities in Canada which have not felt the need for improved housing facilities during the past few years. In a recent report to parliament on this important subject, Hon. C. D. Howe, Minister of Reconstruction, said that in completing 200,000 homes since the end of the war, Canada had done as well as any other country in home construction during this difficult period. In 1945, he pointed out, more than 50,000 homes were built, while the figure for 1946 was 67,000 and for 1947, 77,000. There were also 45,000 houses commenced, but not completed last year, he said.

Mr. Howe told parliament that there is at present no bottleneck in building materials, but that there is a shortage of labor in some branches of construction work. While costs of materials were "leveling off", he said, labor costs are rising, making it difficult to determine whether there is any decrease in building costs. During the discussion of this subject in the House of Commons, it was suggested that some of the congestion in the larger centres was due to the fact that during the war many people moved from farms to work in industries, and as a result there are now a large number of vacant farm homes. A movement of population back to the land, would, it was suggested, to some extent alleviate the housing shortage in the cities.

There has been need, however, for attention to rural housing problems also, and an improvement in the standard of farm homes might well prove an important factor in encouraging people who have gone to live in cities, to return to the land. In recent years it has been realized that too little attention has been paid to the housing problem in rural areas, and at present research is being carried on in the universities of the three Prairie Provinces in an effort to improve the standard of farm homes. The design of farm houses, insulation, heating, rural electrification, water supply, and many other related problems are now being studied, and since some of these matters are important to all types of homes the results of this work may prove of benefit to the entire country. While there is little hope of an early solution to Canada's housing problem, it is encouraging to know that efforts are being made not only to build more homes, but to improve building standards, especially on the farms, where the need for such improvement has long been evident.

## Alberta Man National Barley Champion

REGINA.—Alberta and Manitoba split the four major awards in the \$25,000 national barley contest of 1947, Alberta winning first and second prizes, Manitoba third and fourth.

The national champion is 28-year-old James W. Bussey, who farms a section of land eight miles north of Airdrie, Alta. His runner-up was A. Henry, Legal, Alta.

Last year's national champion, George G. Elias, of Hallett, Man., was third prize, and fourth place was taken by J. F. Bradley, Portage la Prairie, well-known farmer of the Portage plains.

Saskatchewan growers, handicapped by a bad season which made production of high grade barley practically impossible in some of the best barley growing areas of the province, did not place in the 1947 national competition. Jack A. Wylie, Norway, who was Saskatchewan champion in 1946 and placed fourth in the national competition, was champion of his province again in 1947, but his entry was not good enough to take one of the national prizes.

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Through all these laws, I am compelled to pay business tax, sales tax, income tax, property tax, municipal tax, excise tax, income tax, auto tax, hydro tax, syntax, and educational tax.

In addition to these irritating taxes, I am forced by the strong arm of the law to get a permit for these things and a permit for that thing. I am required to get a business license, a city license, a provincial license, a sign license, a dog license, a motor license, a radio license, a liquor license, not to mention a marriage license. I am also requested and required to contribute to every society and organization which the inventive genius of man is capable of bringing into life. To the society of St. Jean-Baptiste, the Woman's relief, the near East relief, the unemployed relief, the gold-digger home, also every hospital and every charitable institution in the city, the Red cross, the white cross, the white cross, the green cross, the flaming cross and double cross.

For my own safety I am required to carry life insurance, fidelity insurance, burglary insurance, property insurance, rent insurance, fire insurance, compensation insurance, accident and collision insurance, and business insurance.

The government has now so governed my business that it is no easy matter for me to find out who owes it. I am expected, introspected, suspected, disrespected, examined, re-examined, informed, required, summoned, fined, commanded and compelled until all I know is that I am supposed to provide an inexhaustible supply of money for every known need, desire, or hope of the human race and simply because I refuse to donate to each and every one of these and go out and beg, borrow or steal money to give away, I am accused, discussed, boycotted, talked to, talked about, lied to, lied about, held up, held down, and robbed until I am nearly ruined. I can tell you honestly Mr. Johnson that falling a miracle you won't be paid just now and the only reason I am holding onto life is simply to see what in hell is coming license, not to mention a marriage next. Yours respectively—J.D.

## Plan Rain-Making Tests This Summer

OTTAWA.—Trade Minister Howe said in the Commons that aerial rain-making tests with dry ice will be started this summer by the National Research Council.

The test will supplement laboratory experiments now being conducted by the Council, he said, replying to Max Campbell (CCF—the Battlefords), Park Manross (PC—London) in an apparent reference to flood conditions asked Mr. Howe with a smile why the rain-making had to be concentrated on Western Ontario.

## EXPECT BIG CROWD

LONDON.—London expects to cater to some 750,000 spectators at the Olympic Games in July. It is estimated about 200,000 of these will be visitors from overseas.

## Carlyle Carnival Queen



Miss Margaret Wood, sponsored by Carlyle Board of Trade, was elected the Carnival Queen for the night at Carlyle, Sask.

## FUNNY And OTHERWISE

The teacher had forbidden the eating of candy in school. One day she became suspicious of a lump in Betty's cheek.

"Betty, are you eating candy?" she asked.

"No, teacher," replied Betty, "I'm just sucking a prune to eat at recess."

Nurse — "I lost sight of the child, ma'am."

Ma'am — "Good gracious! Why didn't you speak to a policeman?"

"I was speaking to one at the time ma'am."

A Chinese laborer being questioned by an English works manager was asked his name.

"Sneeze," he replied.

But the manager was unconvinced and asked for an explanation.

"Me very intelligent," the Chinese said. "Me translate into your language my name—All Shoo!"

The schoolmistress was giving her class of young pupils a test on a recent national history lesson.

"Now, Bobby Jones," she said, "tell me where the elephant is found?"

The boy hesitated a moment, then his face lit up.

"The elephant," he said, "is found in such a big animal it is scarcely ever lost."

New York woman reported getting the following sales slip from her butcher the other day:

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Teacher—"Robert, explain what are the functions of the skin."

Bobby—"The chief function of the skin is to keep us from looking raw."

Angry Shareholder: "And may I ask what happened to the sinking fund?"

Chairman (slyly): "It sank."

Wife—"Darling, I want your advice. What do you think would be a good thing for you to buy me for my birthday?"

The Author: "Would you advise me to get out a small edition?"

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## THE TILLERS



## Prospectors Ready For Gold Rush

### Mounted Police To Patrol New Camp In Yukon Territory

FORT ST. JOHN.—With mounted police prepared to make a spring patrol of the new gold camp on Fifth River, Yukon territory, it began to look like a stampede with aircraft playing an important part. Inspector H. H. Crossfield said the Fifth River was the toughest part of North America so far as climate is concerned and owing to its isolation men going into the dry boom area are taking a terrific chance.

"Parties going in without good equipment and lots of supplies will be in great danger," the inspector said. Nere Robert, a prospector, who was among the first with Gilbert Labine to stake ground in the radium discovery area at Great Bear Lake left here by plane, bound for Fifth River.

Fairbanks, Alaska is the jumping-off point for a group of American prospectors using aircraft. They staked on Fifth River last summer and will carry on development this spring. Prospectors are already gathering at Aldavik, N.W.T., for the 180-mile dash by dog team to the scene of action. Boats are already chartered to push off after break-up to Herschel Island, in the Arctic Ocean. With Herschel as a base, it would be 50 miles river to the gold area.

Parties are planning to reach the new camp from Fort Nelson on the Alaska highway by using rafters to follow the river system to Idewater on the Beaufort sea. Others will mush in with dogs over the Yukon trail which runs from Dawson City via Old Crow over the divide.

## Wheat Board Has Large Surplus

OTTAWA.—The Canadian Wheat Board has a surplus of \$18,467,000—equal to about 27½ cents a bushel—on the wheat it has so far handled under its five year crop pool, according to a report from the board.

Details of the operation of the five-year pool, which started August 1, 1945, were given in the board's annual report, tabled in the Commons by Trade Minister Howe.

The surplus was built up on the 576,398,600 bushels of wheat the board had bought under the scheme by July 31, 1947, for which it paid producers \$758,763,785. Its sales and stocks on hand then amounted to \$929,244,667, against which had to be charged its operating and administration costs and the cost of the 10 cents a bushel additional payment made on the 1944 crop.

The board had sold \$30,435,715 bushels from the pool by last July.

## PLAN HOSTEL FOR AIRPORT AT EDMONTON

EDMONTON.—To overcome shortage of hotel accommodation for air travellers, the city plans to establish a hostel at the municipal airport. It is negotiating with the federal government for use of a large, H-shaped R.C.A.F. barracks block, which could provide a large cafeteria, a lounge room, and 20 bedrooms.

The city hopes to buy the building, "if the price is right," Mayor H. D. Ainlay states. Otherwise, it will seek a lease-transfer agreement.

## YELLOW FOR HUNTERS GAB

YORKTON, Sask.—The Yorkton branch of the Fish and Game league drafted a resolution at the annual meeting requesting the provincial government to make yellow the official color for hunters' uniforms rather than red or white as at present. Members contended that yellow offers a greater measure of safety than any other color and can be distinguished by color blind persons.

## MORE PENSIONERS

EDMONTON.—More than 13,000 persons now are receiving old age pensions in Alberta. The list of pensioners rose when the amended Old Age Pension Act removed the section requiring proof of British nationality.

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## Drag Levels Land Easily

WHEN land has been roughly levelled by ordinary means and it is still desired to produce a more even surface, none of the usual implements will do the job. Then it is time for the farmer or gardener to retire to his workshop and build himself a plank drag to serve as a land float.

The accompanying drawing shows a plank drag of garden plank, which is very useful for smoothing uneven land for planting small seeds. This type of leveller is used very largely for preparing seed beds for horticultural crops. This drag should be made from planks 2 by 12 inches, but if these are not available planks a few inches narrower can be used. The angle is secured by bolting the front edge of all planks behind the first one on top of the rear edge of the plank ahead.

Correct angle of the front plank is secured by bolting it to the underside of the crosspiece bolted to the top of the drag to stiffen it. These crosspieces should be shaped to fit snugly against the upper side of the planks.

Holes bored through the front plank serve nicely as anchors for clevises for hitching. These holes should be reinforced with steel plates. A chain hitch similar to that used on the drawbar of a harrow is satisfactory for this drag.

A drag such as this is very good for preparing a garden. (When the soil has been worked up to a fine seed bed, which would be considered ideal for ordinary farm crops, some-

thing more is needed before it is good enough for vegetable seed. The surface must be well levelled and the clods must be crushed so that fine soil only will come in contact with the small seeds. The plank is just the thing for these jobs.

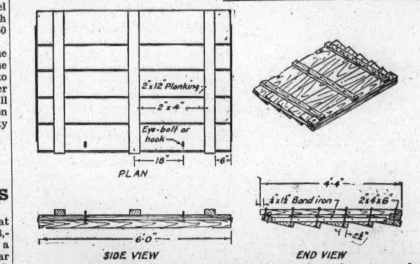
Where the acreage to be smoothed each spring is considerable it pays to reinforce the projecting edges on the underside of the plank with angle iron.

## Sunflower Industry Growing In Manitoba

The growing of sunflowers has become a million dollar industry in Manitoba. Because of better yields and higher oil content this year a group of 900 farmers in the southern section of the province who raised sunflowers in 1947 will split a gross return of \$1,500,000. The provincial department of agriculture estimates the average yield at 800 pounds per acre on 25,000 acres of sowing, making a total yield of 20,000,000 pounds, at a price of six cents per pound.

"Advance" a new hybrid sunflower which was developed by the dominion experimental farm at Morden was sown for 88 per cent. of this year's crop.

Favorable fall weather is said to be the reason for the high oil content of the seeds this year. Sunflower oil is still in good demand by packing plants for shortening and salad oils, and by other buyers for confectionery and medicinal purposes.



This diagram illustrates the construction of a land drag or garden plank drag, excellent for putting the finishing touches on a land levelling job on a garden seed bed.

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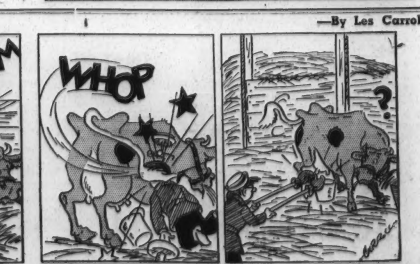
1½ cups flour  
1 tsp. salt  
1 cup, cold water  
1½ cups, cold water  
1½ cups, cold water

¾ cup milk, or half milk and half water  
1½ cup sliced onions  
1 can condensed tomato soup  
1½ lb. ground raw beef

3 tsp. Magic Baking Powder

Mix together flour, baking powder, ½ tsp. salt, cold water and pepper add 3 tablespoons shortening, mix in thoroughly with fork. Add milk and stir until soft. Add sugar and mix thoroughly. Roll out on floured surface. Roll up in 1" frying pan. Add cooking oil and fry. Add 1½ cups sliced onions, 1½ cups cold water and ground meat. Bring to boil. Stirred baking powder mixture on top of meat mixture and bake at 475° for about 15 minutes. Turn out upside down on large plate. Serves 6.

**MAGIC BAKING POWDER**



—By Les Carroll



# World News In Pictures

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**THE DEMOCRACY OF SMILES**—Mrs. Minnie Clarke, a Polisher at the carriage and wagon works of British Railways' Wolverton plant, and Princess Elizabeth, heiress to the throne of England, let themselves go with broad smiles during the visit of the princess to the plant recently. Mrs. Clarke has worked there for 42 years. It was the first visit of the princess since the Labor government nationalized the railroads.



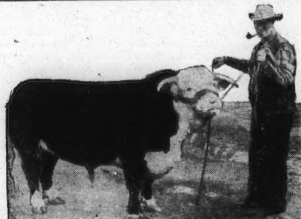
**HAPPY FAMILY PORTRAIT**—Shown in this happy family group is Bandleader Ray Kyser, holding his oldest daughter, Kimberly Ann, 21 months, and Georgia Carroll Kyser, holding little eight-weeks-old Carroll Amanda Kyser. This is the first photo of the Kyser family in their Hollywood, Calif., home since the youngest member arrived.



**ROYAL CHAT AT PRESS CLUB DINNER**—An informal chat at a New York hotel, where they attended the seventh annual dinner of the Overseas Press Club of America, is enjoyed by elder statesman Bernard Baruch, Queen Helen of Romania, Bob Considine, president of the Overseas Press Club, and ex-King Michael of Romania. Michael, was one of the speakers at the dinner.



**REPAYMENT CHEQUES FROM OTTAWA**—2,000,000 persons in Canada are being paid their 1942 forced savings by Ottawa. This girl is typing out cheques by the yard for repayments. Perhaps one of them is yours.



**CHAMPIONS**—Left: Champion Hereford bull, shown by Minto Development Company which sold at the recent Kamloops bull sale for \$800; champion steer of the show exhibited by Helen Turner, Royal Oak, B.C.



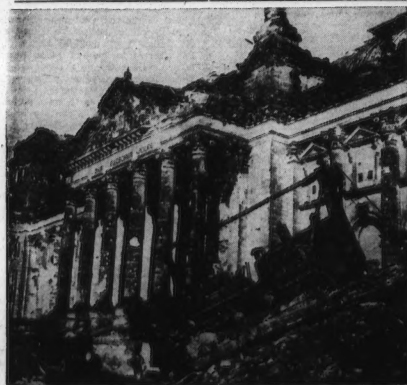
**"OSCARS" HANDED OUT IN HOLLYWOOD AT THE 10th ACADEMY AWARD BANQUET**—Ronald Colman received the "oscar" for the best performance of the year at Hollywood for his performance in "A Double Life". He is shown here as he received the award from Olivia de Havilland, who won the award last year. Loretta Young was acclaimed the year's best actress for her performance in "The Farmer's Daughter". Celeste Holm and Ella Kazan also received "oscars". Miss Holm's award came for the best supporting actress for her part in "Gentleman's Agreement"; and Kazan for the best achievement in directing the film. This picture was also voted the best motion picture of 1947. Edmund Gwenn for his role as Santa Claus in "Miracle on 34th Street", won an "oscar" as the best supporting actor.



**GRAND RIVER FLOODS**—\$500,000 damage in Galt, Ont., alone is the estimate of the flood toll. Here a truck, up to its bumper in water, is seen on one of the city's main streets. Water released from Shand dam atergus, Ont., helped swell the water. Worst damage was done in the warehouse district along the river.



**CONVENTION**—Snapped at the recent Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Administration convention in Regina recently, were, left to right: Dr. W. H. Fairfield, former superintendent Lethbridge Experimental Farm; Geo. F. Melrose, Deputy Minister of Lands for B.C.; Dr. E. S. Archibald, Director of the Dominion Experimental Farms Service, and W. L. Jacobson of the Lethbridge Experimental Farm.



**CELEBRATED 100th ANNIVERSARY OF BERLIN'S REVOLUTION**—Preparing for a celebration, marking the 100th anniversary of Berlin's revolution, the Germans borrowed bulldozers from the British and U.S. forces. Here they are clearing away rubble in front of the Reichstag building, where the once mighty Hitler reigned supreme.



**HELD AS KILLER**—Captured by New York police after he allegedly shot and killed a high school sophomore and wounded six other persons, a man, identified by police as Marko L. Markovitch, is shown in custody. Creeping up behind a group of parochial school students, the killer fired two guns, downing the victim, Thomas F. Brady of New York, then fled with crowds of students, spectators and police at his heels. He was captured after he had taken refuge on the third floor of an apartment building.



**LOCOMOTIVE HITS ANGUS WASHOUT, ENDS UP IN MARSH**—A washout on the C.N.R. line at Angus, Ont., derailed this train and tore up 200 feet of track. Fireman Ralph McKeown of Allandale, Ont., was the only casualty, receiving minor injuries. The locomotive settled in the marsh. The train was the Allandale to Camp Borden regular. Floods in southwestern Ontario disrupted many train schedules.

## Expansion Program In Canada

**Forecast An Expenditure Of \$2,500,000,000 On New Building, Machinery And Repairs**

OTTAWA.—Canada will spend the greatest number of dollars in its history this year for capital expansion if the forecast of the federal government is met.

The forecast—an expenditure of \$2,500,000,000 on new building, new machinery and repairs to existing equipment—was contained in a report on this year's investment outlook prepared by the reconstruction department.

A companion report, surveying probable production of building and other basic materials, was tabled in the commons at the same time by Trade Minister Howe.

The report on investments notes that periods of heavy capital expenditure, in the past, have accompanied periods when the level of employment and income was also high.

The gloomiest aspect of the entire picture, which sweeps broadly over the country's basic economy, is in steel and iron production. The survey notes that production of both is near the country's capacity, that it is hardly likely to increase much this year, and that the dollar-saving import restrictions are likely to increase the demand for domestic steel and pig iron.

Lumber production, it notes, will probably be down, but the decrease will likely be more than offset, so far as supplies to domestic consumers are concerned, by a drop in the British demand for Canadian timber. Building supplies are expected, in most ranges, to improve.

Comes Spring ... And With It Some New Fashions



Spring weather this year gives millady a chance to wear her new outfit, whether it be the slim silhouette or the balaire style. Colors this season are deliberately feminine either in solid tones or prints that tell a story or are conversation provoking. Accessories challenge your artistic sense in assembling them so you must take care to choose wisely on individuality. The Anna Miller original at left is one that you can proudly wear. The jacket is trimmed with pique collar and cuffs, its waist indrawn to accent the rounded and slightly crinolined hips. The skirt, slender on top, has deep encircled pleats, back and front accenting the full hemline. Many a gal has her on an evening gown for that "special" evening and here is one that's sure to please everybody. Fira Benson uses white net, appliqued with lace, with shoestring shoulder straps. The bodice is softened by shirring of net, and the skirt fullness accentuates the low, tight waistline.

ball boxcoons are loaded with strange names which, however, have only a brief lease on the spot.

The late winter snow and the first robin of spring are in nowise related though they always seem to travel together.

A Peruvian girl bullfighter claims to have slain 328 bulls in 10 years. There's one gal who brings home the beef if not the bacon.

Gannets are large sea birds, closely allied to the pelicans.

**HIGH PURITY OXYGEN**  
Commercial production of oxygen from the atmosphere became a reality about 30 years ago. High purity oxygen has many uses in industry, medicine and in aviation.

### Permanent Home For High Commissioner

LONDON.—A bomb-damaged west end mansion once valued at \$100,000 has been purchased by the Canadian government as a permanent residence for Norman Robertson, Dominion high commissioner in London, and his successors, the Canadian Press learned.

Canada House declined to confirm the sale was completed but Way and Walter estate agents, said the mansion has been sold for between \$50,000 and \$100,000.

Once one of London's finest homes, it was badly damaged during the war.

It is said that a beef animal on good range will eat its own weight in grass in seven or eight days.

### GIVES OVER-EATING THE REASON FOR OVERWEIGHT

WASHINGTON.—If you weigh too much, don't look for fancy excuses. You eat too much says Dr. Louis H. Newburgh of the University of Michigan Medical School.

All this high-sounding stuff about an overweight condition being caused by pituitary glands, the hypothalamus, the endocrine glands, brain defects or heredity—just big words, says Dr. Newburgh.

Years of extensive research, he says, have failed to find any logical cause for overweight except over-eating and under-exercise.

The pitcher plants are so named because their leaves form tubes or urns of various kinds which contain water. To these "pitchers" insects are attracted and drowned.

## Trance Of German Woman Puzzles World

**Blood Seemed To Come From Palms Every Good Friday**

KONNERSREUTH, Germany.—Therese Neumann, 62-year-old peasant, lay in an apparent trance in the bedroom of her home on Good Friday.

As it has every Good Friday since 1923, blood seemed to come from her palms, her eyes and her right shoulder.

The woman, clothed in white, lay rigid, her arms upraised. Her eyes were closed and sometimes her face was distorted, as if in pain.

A priest stood nearby. Against one wall of the room was an altar.

Some 2,000 Germans and Americans journeyed to this little town near the Czechoslovak border to witness the spectacle. Some thought they had seen a miracle. Others said they believed science could explain it.

The Roman Catholic Church is non-committal.

A similar manifestation has been recorded in the story of the life of St. Francis of Assisi. Others since then have been subject to what has been called "the blessed stigmata."

Miss Neumann first attracted attention in 1923. At first the blood appeared every Friday. Last year and this year it was reported only on Good Friday. Blood was visible to visitors within two yards of the woman.

Capt. Charles B. Fabing of Chicago, a Catholic chaplain, was among the visitors. He said the incident was extraordinary.

The subject of Therese Neumann has been a matter of controversy for a quarter century. Her case has been discussed by psychic research congresses and by scientists.

Just after the end of the war an American chaplain, Harold Dittmann, reported he learned the woman was ordered "removed" by the Nazis, but that when S.S. men saw her in a trance they fled in panic.

Dittmann said he had witnessed the incident three times.

### TO CONVERT CYCLE

There is a bill in the Ontario legislature which will facilitate a change-over in Southern Ontario from 25-cycle frequency to the standard 60-cycle. The legislation permits the Ontario Hydro-Electric Power commission to bear all expenses involved in changing domestic and commercial equipment and one-third of the cost of converting industrial equipment.

Premier George Drew emphasized that there is no legislation contemplated which will give the Ontario commission authority to draw from the reserves of the municipal boards and commissions to meet the cost.

### GEMS OF THOUGHT

#### BROTHERHOOD

There is a destiny which makes us brothers: None goes his way alone.—Edwin Markham.

Love for mankind is the elevator of the human race; it demonstrates Truth and reflects divine Love.—Mary Baker Eddy.

Down in their hearts, wise men know this truth: the only way to help yourself is to help others.—Elbert Hubbard.

I do not hunger for a well-stored mind.

I only wish to live my life, and find My heart in union with all mankind.

—Edmund Gosse.

Let brotherly love continue.—Reveries 18:1.

## : STAMP CORNER :

By JAMES MONTAGNES



—Stamps courtesy Aubrey Nelson, Deseronto, Ont.

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### GOOD HOTEL BEST ASSET OF COMMUNITY

One of the best assets of any community is a good hotel. A hotel that provides clean, comfortable beds and good wholesome meals.

A town can have its tourist homes and tourist camps, its super cabins and motels, but it still lacks important public service if it hasn't a good hotel.

The person who travels in comfort and for convenience stops at good hotels, not at tourist homes or camps.

## YOU'RE TELLING ME

By WILLIAM RITT

Central Press Canadian Writer

A Toronto motorist was nabbed for speeding in his just-released car. Maybe he just wanted to get that first scratched fender done and over with.

Women, a survey shows, design more than 80 per cent of men's neckties. That explains it, boys.

In North Carolina a bull batted a truck off a road and into a ditch. Just wanted to prove, no doubt, that its horns were better.

Canada reports a kitten with long legs and long coat. But that won't fool a smart mouse into thinking it's just a rabbit.

This is the month in which base-

## ON THE SIDE

—By E. V. Durling

### MULES & MEN

A young matron of Chicago says everybody compliments her on her new hair-do except her husband. He doesn't like it. She says while he won't admit it, the reason her husband doesn't care for the hair-do she is currently featuring is that it makes her look a little taller than he is. "What can you do with a man like that?" she asks. Our Mules & Men experts are strongly in sympathy with the husband in his dislike for the hair-do. It makes his wife appear taller than he is. They realize, however, the importance in a woman's life of a hair-do that inspires compliments. Therefore, they suggest the husband wear height-building shoes so he can rise above his wife's hair-do. Next problem, please.

### ASKING

Queries from Cletia: Q. Why don't you write more about cats? A. I thought I had been writing enough about cats to supply the demand. But apparently not. Anyway, please be informed a 21-year-old cat owned by a resident of Woburn, Mass., recently gave birth to two kittens.

### THROWING A PARTY

In a magazine article titled "How to throw a party," Sherman Billingsley, Stork club maestro, says: "It's easy to make a hit as a host or hostess if you realize women are interested in both men and women, but men, socially, are interested only in women." Keep that in mind. If the parties you have been giving haven't come up to her expectations as social successes, advise her to invite some comely brown-eyed blonde and a few blue-eyed Swedish brunettes to her guest list.

### OVER THERE

"She is a quietly-spoken, thoughtful little woman of slight physique." That is the way Gordon Deedes, British columnist, describes Mae West, who is currently appearing on the London stage. It is an accurate description of Mae West in private life. Particularly as to the slight physique. I believe Mae weighs 101 pounds. When she portrays "Diamond Lil" on the stage considerable padding of her form is necessary.

### GETTING MARRIED

Now a group of Los Angeles girls have organized a "We wanna get married club." This organization's spokeswoman says in part: "Bachelors are scarce out here." That statement isn't in accord with the statistics. The most recent report shows there are 918,978 unmarried men of marriageable age in California. Not only that. There are 346,709 more unmarried California males of marriageable age than unmarried women in the same age group. It is undoubtedly easy to acquire a husband in the Golden State. It is easy for a girl to get a husband, but extremely difficult to get the "dream man" type of spouse for which most modern young females are looking. The girls aforementioned should call their organization the "We wanna marry a dream-man club."

### BACHELOR'S CLUB

Twelve years ago, 30 single young men of Riverhead, L.I., organized a bachelors club. Object of the members was to remain free of matrimonial ties as long as possible. Twenty of these 30 lovers of liberty are still single. The 10 members who succumbed to feminine persuasion and entered the married state are called "Deersters." The remaining members style themselves "Loyalists." Annually the "Loyalists" entertain the "Deersters" at a dinner for the purpose of sympathizing with them. The campaign now being conducted by Long Island bachelorettes to deprive the Riverhead bachelors of their liberty, is reported stronger and more determined than that of any Leap year of the organization's history. However, bachelors' club president, Joseph V. Kelly, confidently states: "We are fully prepared for all onslaughts and do not expect to lose a member in 1948."



IT'S THAT SPRING FEELING IN THE AIR!—Spring has officially arrived and it wasn't too soon for this young lady, who was cheered by bachelors and couldn't resist a leap of exhilaration.



## Farming Two Acres Of Land Might Be Hobby To Some But It's A Living For Group Of British Columbia Farmers

A quiet evening at home is the suggestion you get when you look at this picture and that's just what it is as Ernest Neuman, farmer at Yarrow, B.C., settles down for the evening with a magazine. Mrs. Neuman and daughter, Erna, just take it easy while Ernest Junior plays with his dog on the floor. Scene is typical in the household of the average Canadian farmer today.

By PAUL ST. PIERRE  
Central Press Canadian

YARROW, B.C. — In a corner of the lush Fraser Valley, farmers are huddled against the base of the southern range of mountains a prosperous community has grown in the centre of a patchwork of two-acre farms. This is Yarrow, settled and built by men of the stern Mennonite religion.

The Mennonite religious differences from their neighbors of English-Irish-Scottish-Dutch nationality are fading today. The spirit of isolation which dominated the Mennonites in their travels from Holland to Russia and back to this continent is dwindling fast.

The Mennonites in this section of British Columbia are undergoing a rapid assimilation into the Canadian way of life but among the trademarks of their race which remains is the ability to intensively cultivate the land. When they settled Yarrow in 1928 it was a flat plain of willows. A few years before it had been the bottom of a shallow swamp lake.

The board of trade members of nearby Chilliwack advised the provincial government not to allow the Mennonites to move in on the bottom land. "It won't support them," said the businessmen. But so far it has. With exercise of the thrift for which they are famous the Mennonites are supporting themselves and doing it comfortably.

The community of Yarrow, a part of Chilliwack municipality, has clean houses, half a dozen new stores and a waterworks system. It is now engaged in building paved streets.

This has been accomplished partly by thrift, partly by use of the co-operative system in marketing and self-supply, and partly by the boom in farm prices which has benefited all the Fraser Valley farmers.

**Typical Farewell**

It would be wrong to say the whole community is split into two-acre plots. Many of these farmers have acquired large slices of lands along this side of the valley on which they raise feed grains, hops and garden vegetables. But many are still working "farms" which don't look like much more than a back yard. Let's take a look at a typical two-acre farmer:

Ernest Neuman is 30 years old, married, and as he says himself "an average sort of guy". His two-acre

farm is just about half a mile from Yarrow's main street. On it he has about one acre of raspberry bushes which, to judge from 1947 prices, will bring him more than \$1,000 income this summer.

The other half of his land was in chicken pens but when I talked to him the chickens were gone. He had sold them off for the winter and, with no farm work left to do in the rainy season, was spending his days in laboring work for construction crews of the area. This brings to mind the question: What does this income bring him?

"All Paid For"

Ernest has a 34 by 26 foot frame house, set back about 25 feet from the road. The 25 foot square is lawn, with flower beds patched in and a couple of garden chairs. The house, with its painted white siding and red roof, looks prosperous, as though it could be dropped into the suburban districts of most Canadian cities without being noticed.

It has a dining-room, with hardwood veneer table, chairs and sideboard. The living-room has a radio, a thick woolly rug, a five-piece Chesterfield suite in dark maroon shade. There are two bedrooms on the ground floor in modern, matching furnishings and a bathroom with running water and toilet facilities that drain into a septic tank under the back yard. There are two bedrooms upstairs, still unfinished. The house is lighted by electricity, heated by an enamelled oil range in the kitchen and an oil heater in the front room.

"All paid for," says Ernest proudly. He started building his home seven years ago, bought materials when he could afford them and did most of the work himself as he found the time. The furniture also is paid for. Today the Neumans are in debt on one item only—their 1941 car, for which they pay in monthly instalments.

There are four members in the family. Ernest's wife, Erna, is 27; his son, Ernest Junior, is seven, and daughter, Erna Junior, is four. So far their home is big enough as is.

The first thing you notice on entering the Neuman home is its cleanliness. You feel you have arrived the day after a spring cleaning. The second thing is the shyness of the young wife. Pretty, blond Erna, lets her husband do the talking, as do most Mennonite wives. They answer your questions, show you their needlework and bustle about their kitchens making tea, or looking after the children. They do not, as a rule, intrude on the conversation of the men.

There are no cards in the house, no intoxicating drinks and no cigarettes, although there are ash trays in the living-room for guests who do use tobacco. The conversation is sometimes in German, sometimes in English.

An ordinary day for the Neumans begins at 6:30 a.m. when Ernest gets up and starts the fire for breakfast. At 7:30 the family have their morning meal after which Ernest leaves for his job. Then Erna must pack Ernest Junior off to school.

Junior attends a public school half a mile away and generally he rides there proudly on a silver red tricycle. "He talks English better than I do," says German now, says his father. "About the only time he automatically talks in German is when his grandparents come to visit. He knows they don't speak English very well." Junior has dinner at the school. Erna and her daughter are home alone until the evening meal at 6:30—main meal of the day.

**Evenings At Home**

Their evenings are usually spent at home and sometimes visiting neighbors and friends. Very rarely do they attend a movie, a thing still frowned upon by elders of the church except for religious educational films shown in the church basement.

Ernest's main recreation is team

sports, baseball being his favorite. "I still think a good game of ball is about the best sport there is," he says. Erna belongs to a sewing circle, and works once a week with other church members in preparing food bundles for Europe.

They do not have the problem of cold in winter, for no frost stays in the ground at Yarrow. And they do not have to worry about snowdrifts, for snow seldom stays on the ground for 24 hours.

Summer is the busy season. There's pruning, spraying, weeding, and a general abeying of the precious raspberry vines. And a hectic few days at harvesting time when the crop must be rushed to the cannery.

But it looks like a comfortable living.

## Health LEAGUE OF CANADA presents TOPICS OF VITAL INTEREST

**WRITER EMPHASIZES VD SOCIAL AS WELL AS MORAL PROBLEM**

Only by means of a social approach can the illicit contacts which cause venereal disease be prevented, it is stated by Dr. Gordon Bates in an article "Venereal Disease—A Social and Moral Problem" in the current issue of Health, official magazine of the Health League of Canada.

The writer who is General Director of the Health League and head of the VD clinic at the Toronto General Hospital, says that clinics are still crowded despite the fact that means of diagnosis and cure are now infinitely more effective than ever before and although popular education concerning the disease is more widespread.

"It is perfectly obvious that mere education as to facts of venereal disease and the provision of treatment facilities will not control a problem which is social in origin," Dr. Bates writes.

He suggests that although there has been some talk of attacking the problem as a social problem, little has really been done about it. He suggests further that social surveys should be a means adopted for getting information in as many cities in Canada as possible. Survey case sheets could be used to discover any or all factors involved in the existence of venereal disease in a community.

He says, however, that when all social factors have been studied there still remains the problem of conduct. Morality must be taught, not as a means of avoiding venereal disease but because only through moral conduct can one enjoy a normal life.

He suggests the health officer is prone to ignore the fact that there is a phase to the problem other than treatment of the infected, "to dodge the issue on the plea that this phase of the question is somebody else's business—the preacher's for example."

Dr. Bates says it is an axiom in public health that to prevent the spread of infection it is necessary to prevent the contact of infected with non-infected persons. "And it is not primarily the business of the preacher to prevent the spread of venereal diseases, but it is the business of the health officer and the physician."

The writer says those who desire to control venereal disease must plan to attack by one means or another all of the problems which result in the spread of these sinister maladies.

Misouri gets its name from the Indian name meaning "Fuddy".

## GARDEN NOTES

### Speed For Tenderness

Real secret of tender vegetables is quick, unchecked growth. To get this means planting at the proper time, not too early with tender things that frost or cold weather may check, and they must be harvested when just right. Old gardeners push growth along quickly with plenty of cultivation, fertilizer, and water when necessary and if possible. They also spread sowings out over at least several weeks so that young stuff is coming along continuously. Another trick they use is to plant several different types—an early maturing sort, a medium and a late. In the seed catalogue usually will be listed the number of days to maturity. Thus we can purchase, say, peas that will be ready for table in fifty days, some sixty and some in seventy. By using some of all three there will be a succession of good crops instead of a regular feast followed by a famine. Most experienced gardeners continue making sowings of carrots, beets, and other root crops until the middle of July. Of course, to get top quality stuff must be to time lost between picking and cooking.

### Big Show For Little Work

A really wonderful showing can be made with a big bed of annuals and at surprisingly little cost. Where space is available one should not crowd these things. Indeed in very long borders along roadways or paths it is possible to do much of the preliminary cultivation with a hand-drawn or tractor-operated cultivator. First the bed should be dug or cultivated thoroughly at least twice before the annuals are sown or set. This gets rid of the weeds and gets the soil in good shape. For a long bed, three feet wide is about a minimum size. In this one can plant dozens of different type annuals, with the smaller things generally at the front, the bigger things at the bottom. For tiny things like French Marigolds, about ten inches between and for the biggest things like cosmos, full size zinnias, etc., two and a half to three feet is best. The bed should be given only a small piece of ground available closer planting is advised in order to get more bloom.

### This Is The Key

The foundation of any garden is good seed. It is a small item so far as expense goes, but all the care and preparation goes for naught if the seed is not right. Of first importance is seed suitable for Canadian conditions. Many flowers and vegetables that will give excellent results in the mild and moist climate of England will not do well in Canada, and the same also applies with even more emphasis to the central and southern United States.

## Scientist Aids Men In Business

EDMONTON—J. M. Olyan started in business less than two years ago with a typewriter, an old adding machine and an idea. He now has an office staff of 11, a series of rooms and every machine from comptometers to a printing outfit.

When he graduated from the University of Alberta with honors in science, he was puzzled about his choice of a life work and took some aptitude tests. These indicated he should get into accountancy—and that was the beginning of his idea.

He launched his "Send Me Saturday" system—a boon to the small business and professional man. It supplies an accountancy and income tax service for which the client is supplied with a daily envelope where he keeps all paid accounts and enters daily receipts. Periodically, he sends those envelopes in—and his books are kept. He gets a monthly statement, his income tax forms are made out and his records kept up to date.

The system also has a statement for those small firms who credit business. They mail out monthly statements and post accounts once or twice each week.

Mr. Olyan also conducts an aptitude test service. He conducts the tests and has a placement service in addition.

He has designed a simple account book for the farmer to use in compiling income tax returns and his next venture will be forecasting business trends—he hopes shortly to supply customers with a monthly booklet with current forecasts.

## Helpful Hints

Never use hot water to try to remove an egg stain for heat makes them much harder to get out.

Never dry woollens (sweaters, socks, blankets) in very hot air, in bright sunlight or in freezing temperatures.

Stubborn jar tops and screw-on bottle caps can be loosened in a jiffy, say technicians of a match company by running a lighted match around the edge of the top or cap.

When arranging furniture in the bedroom, experts recommend putting beds at right angles to the left of the window instead of across it to avoid the glare of daylight in sleepers' eyes.

## Position Of Canadian Sheepmen Strengthened By World Shortage

TORONTO.—In spite of the fact that Canadian sheep flocks have been seriously reduced in recent years, the position of the best Canadian sheepmen has been strengthened by the "low record number of sheep at present on the farms and ranches of this country." In a report to the annual meeting of the Canadian Co-operative Wool Growers Ltd., Chris Jensen, president of the organization said:

"Canadian sheepmen note, too, that there is a sharp reduction in sheep flocks throughout the world. Further they look ahead to the possibilities that face them, with less than 20 per cent. of Canada's wool requirements produced at home. The whole present situation is a challenge to farmers and ranchers all across Canada to take advantage of what appears to be a real business opportunity."

One of the main reasons for the temporary decrease in the number of sheep in Canada was the increase in predatory animals, and their raids on domestic flocks, the president explained.

"From reports and interviews across Canada, it is known that flock owners have had to contend with wolves, cougars, bears, coyotes and dogs. Some of the provinces are taking definite action to overcome the damage done by these predatory animals, not only to sheep and lambs, but to poultry and game birds as well."

Other reasons for lowered wool production in this country were probably the same as those applicable to the United States, where the falling off in production and sheep numbers appears to be about comparable to that of Canada, Mr. Jensen went on to say.

Although wool prices in wool centres of London and New Zealand have been definitely lower than previous recent highs established in February,

he pointed out that "nevertheless, there is a good deal of confidence in the wool situation since wool prices may be considered somewhat out of line with those of other commodities." The finer grades of wool, he added, were in a relatively strong position, "the supply limited and the demand good."

"If sheep husbandry is to be maintained as a real part of our agricultural economy, then it may be emphasized that the sheep and wool situation in Canada is serious," he declared.

## Canada Still U.K.'s Big Wheat Source

LONDON.—Canada has supplied 9,250,000 hundredweight of Britain's total wheat imports of 11,750,000 in the first two months of 1948. Board of Trade figures showed.

Despite British efforts to purchase additional food and grain supplies in sterling or soft currency countries, the Dominion remained the chief supplier. The total of all grain and flour imports was 15,500,000 hundredweight of which Canada's share was more than 11,000,000.

Bacon imports for the two months totalled 532,000 hundredweight with Canada's share 478,000. Canadian shipments of this food showed a major gain of more than 283,000 hundredweight supplied in the same months of 1947.

## THE SPORT WORLD

### Camera Studies Of Rivals



AUBREY "DIT" CLAPPER



CLARENCE "HAP" DAY

Photographed while watching hockey playoff games are two rival coaches shown in these interesting studies.

Screaming through cupped hands for his Bruin defence to cover Syd Apps is Dit Clapper. They didn't, however, and Apps scored to start Toronto Maple Leafs on their way to an overtime win in the first game of current National Hockey League playoffs. Below we see Hap Day studying sport-timer as precious minutes tick away trailing by one goal.

An ardent Edmonton flyer fan has kicked through with a pair of fine shoes for each member of the Western Senior league champs. Naturally, the guy is in the shoe business.

Charlie Conacher tucked in \$5,000 for taking over Chicago Black Hawks coaching duties at the start of the year. He has a residence and a car for next season at \$1,000 per month plus an apartment in the Windy City.

The Yorkton, Sask. Softball association recently and drafted plans to operate a league which will be affiliated with the Saskatchewan association.

Ken Lewis, publicity manager for Swift Current's Frontier Days celebration, announced the pot was beginning to boil, as the various committees were combining efforts to plan the summer rodeo.

Dave "Sweetie" Schirmer, former National Hockey League star, has been signed to his third straight term as coach of the Lethbridge Maple Leafs in the Western Canada Senior Hockey League.

Figure skating—riding on the crest of popularity caused by Barbara Ann Scott is rapidly growing into one of Canada's major sport attractions. Donald D. Cruikshank, president of the Ottawa Maple Skating Club, proudly claims Barbara Ann as a member, said in an interview that "Barbara Ann has done more to foster figure skating among the youth of Canada than any other person or organization."

## Reports Nail Production Up

OTTAWA.—Production of nails has gone up "very rapidly," although they still are in short supply, Reconstruction Minister Howe said in the Commons.

Output now is 50 per cent. higher than at the end of the war. Much of the shortage resulted from distribution problems.

Mr. Howe also reported that bath-tubs and soil pipe for home building again are in good supply.

He was answering questions during study of construction control orders which will be continued for another year.

He said Canada's steel production totals 15,000,000 tons a year, all of which is allocated to industry. There is a "bad" scrap balance in Canada, although this was not holding back production.

Canada had not been successful in efforts to obtain scrap from war devastated areas in Europe, although Britain was obtaining some from Germany. This type of scrap was difficult to recover.

## Smile of the Week--

"What's the cat's name?"  
"Ben Hur."  
"How'd you happen to choose that?"  
"Well, we called him Ben 'til he had kittens." 2713

## Queen Of Dauphin Winter Carnival



JOAN JOHANNESSON

When I entered the contest to choose a queen for the Winter Carnival at home, that is in Dauphin, Man., I knew that the winner would get a night and from Toronto and five days of sightseeing there. But I didn't have any idea how hectic, or how wonderful, a trip like that could be.

I still have to pinch myself a bit to make sure it has really happened! I've enjoyed every minute of it, even when so many new things rather overwhelmed me, but if it had not been for the good friends who planned my time, and looked after me through all the many different engagements I've filled, I know I would have been completely lost.

First of all I must say I like Toronto very much. This is the first time I've ever been there—in fact it's the first time I've travelled very much outside Manitoba—though the dozens of places to see and the variety of things to do would be very confusing if there wasn't someone to guide you around.

I landed at the airport outside Toronto on a Sunday night after the first plane flight I've ever made. Minutes after we reached a downtown hotel, I went through what most people think is an ordeal—a press interview. The newspaper photographers took pictures and talked a bit about my visit and they were all very nice.

But that was nothing to the Monday morning episode when I met the Mayor of Toronto in his City Hall office, gave him greetings from Mayor of Dauphin, signed the City of Toronto guest book which has hundreds of famous names in it, and the Mayor gave me an official welcome.

## Scarf And Mats



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## Alaska Farming Season Short, Yields High

Experimental Plots Returned Maximum Yields Of 60 Bushels Of Wheat Per Acre—Potatoes Main Crop

EDMONTON. — Any who wonder about the agricultural possibilities along the Alaska Highway will be interested in a report by Dr. Basil Bensin, the agronomist at the Alaska Experimental Station, Fairbanks. With proper preparation of soil and use of fertilizers, the experimental plots returned maximum yields of 60 bushels of wheat, 50 of barley and 100 bushels of oats per acre, he reports. Wheat matures in 90 to 110 days and oats in 80 to 85. Average length of the growing season is 89 days.

A barley that matures under all growing season conditions seems to be the most dependable grain crop for Alaska and may be considered basic for feeding livestock, says Dr. Bensin. He said the Fairbanks station obtained and developed some early varieties of barley "which mature in Alaska in 65 to 70 days, even under unfavorable seasonal conditions."

Legumes and perennial vetch best adapted for hays in Alaska came from Siberia. The main sources of grains introduced into Alaska were eastern Siberia, Finland, Sweden and northern Canada, where climatic conditions are comparable, he said. A great contribution was made in 1944 by Henry A. Wallace, when he returned from a trip to China and Russia and brought samples of grain obtained from Yakutsk experimental station in Siberia said Dr. Bensin.

Of Alaska's total area of close to 600,000 square miles only a small percentage can be used for farming, generally estimated at 65,000 square miles. This means that only 11 per cent. can be developed into arable land, another six per cent. or about 35,000 square miles being suitable for grazing.

Mostly the prospective agricultural areas have not been surveyed, classified or evaluated. Most of the land suited to grain growing, essential to developing a livestock industry, lies



CUP WINNER—Winner of the Faculty Grand Aggregate Cup at the Agricultural Field Day, University of Alberta, Edmonton, was C. S. Clark, third year student of Erskine, Alta. Dr. R. D. Sinclair, (right), dean of agriculture, makes the presentation.

## Five Children Best Lawyers For Father

NEW YORK. — A Brooklyn judge listened unmoved while defence lawyers pleaded for a suspended sentence for Richard K. Lukeman, 30.

Then the judge, Samuel Leibowitz, sentenced Lukeman to a year in prison for fraudulently collecting \$17,000 in a summer camp for children promotion. Lukeman asked to say goodbye to his children.

The five youngsters—all under eight years of age—trooped tearfully into the ante-room where their father waited. The judge watched, wiped his own eyes, then called Lukeman and the children before him.

"These five children are your best lawyers," he said. "They can do for you what oratory couldn't do."

He suspended the sentence.

along river valleys. Coastal regions are unsuitable.

Average precipitation at Fairbanks is 11.67 inches and mean July temperature 60 degrees.

Main staple crop in Alaska is not grain but potatoes and the cost of production about \$200 an acre as from 100 to 700 lbs. of fertilizer is used. It is a hazardous crop dependent entirely on local demand. Other vegetable crops are successfully grown.

Pasteurized milk is the only safe milk!

## THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By WILLIAM FERGUSON



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THE IBIS WAS CONSIDERED SO SACRED IN ANCIENT EGYPT THAT ITS REMAINS WERE BURIED AT DEATH, AND ONE OF THE PYRAMIDS WAS ERRECTED IN ITS HONOR.

THE BIRD'S APPEARANCE EACH YEAR COINCIDED WITH THE RISE OF THE NILE, AND THIS GAVE RISE TO THE BELIEF THAT IT WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PRECIOUS WATERS THAT WERE SO NECESSARY TO THE COUNTRY'S WELFARE.

Quoting Odds

A POINTED FINGER CAN BE BLUNT, says LOIS PETERSON, Kingston, Michigan.

LITTLE REGGIE

GOSH THAT WOULD COME IN HANDY FOR ME!!

SPECIAL! FORTUNE PHONE—JUST PLUG IT IN!!

CERTAINLY! THEN I'LL WRAP IT FOR YOU!

PHISCILLA'S POP—Forward March

I've got news for you! Nom!

What is it, son?

I'm now at the head of my class!

Why, Carlyle! That's wonderful!

Yes, the teacher said she could keep her eye on me better that way.

By Al Vermeer

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## WORLD HAPPENINGS

## BRIEFLY TOLD

The first Russian nylons now are on sale in Moscow.

John White, a merchant tailor, in Ipswich, England, announced he had invented a man's shirt with built-in suspenders.

There will be 7,000 more workers than last year on Scottish farms by June—most of them European displaced persons.

Wedding bells rang for one and one-half hours at Callington, Cornwall, England but the wedding was 6,000 miles away at Capetown, South Africa.

At the close of a three-month exhibition of Princess Elizabeth's wedding gifts, 261,832 persons—an average of 3,500 daily—had seen the presents.

Die Welt, British-licensed German newspaper, said 1,800 castles are marked for raising in the Russian zone of Germany to provide materials for farm buildings.

A large motor of exceptional brightness, with a long tail of small stars, has been sighted over northeastern Switzerland, Frauenfeld observatory announced.

Legislation to permit Canadian ships to transport iron ore between U.S. ports on the Great Lakes was approved by President Truman. The law is effective only for the present calendar year.

Under Nuffield Foundation scholarships, Scottish farmers will be enabled to travel abroad to study modern farming methods. A similar scheme for English and Welsh farmers went into effect in 1946.

## STRONG WINDS

Tornadoes provide the strongest known winds, sometimes reaching 300 miles an hour, but they are seldom more than 200 yards in diameter.

## X-X OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE X-X

## HORIZONTAL

1 Extent of land

8 Kite

9 Number

12 Herald

14 Narrow inlet

15 Drawn tightly

16 Sweet red wine from Spain

18 Bearing organ

20 Distant

21 Child for

22 Child for

24 Avestan hero

25 Unconquered myth

26 Beverage

27 Engaged fish

28 Sink of a tree

30 Wrong in law

37 To need

39 Unit of electrical reluctance

40 Litter to

41 Weather

42 Man's nick-

43 King of

51 Poker stake

52 Slight, elegant spirit

56 Rattle

57 Hero of an Arctic expedition

60 Communist myth

61 Crazing

62 Roman bronze

64 Chemical suffix

65 Chinese

66 People (pl.)

67 Click beetle

68 Part of time

69 A track

70 A sort

71 Superlative person

72 Wrestling

73 A sort

74 To negotiate

75 A migration

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## Answer To Last Week's Puzzle

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## OUR COMPLETE SHORT STORY—

## What Do You Think?

By ALAN TAYLOR

WAS it love or a matter of business? I've made up my mind but you'll have to make up your own. Let's start with this thing called love. To hear the young folks talk you'd think it was something invented special for them. Well, if they're thinking about spooning in a parked car or holding hands on the sofa maybe it is. But that isn't the kind of love I have in mind. What I mean is the kind of love that reaches way down inside. It's deep and peaceful like a pool covered with lily pads. That's the kind the sentimentalists say came to Bill Hendricks after he settled in our town to open a bakery store. On the other hand the more material minded said it was just a smart dicker on Bill's part and love had nothing to do with it. This kind would look any way as if they knew everything about everything. That Hendricks chap is pretty smart," they'd say.

Like I said, after you hear what happened you can make up your own mind. And after you do I think I'll know more about you than I do now. It started when Bill found nobody would buy his pies. After he'd given them to the "Orphan's Home" for two weeks he began to think something queer was going on. He knew there was nothing wrong with his pies because he used the best ingredients and prided himself on knowing how to put them together. His cakes and buns sold like all get out to add to the mystery. Bill hated mysteries so next time Panny Graham came in he questioned her.

Panny kept house for old Doc Williams and knew everything that was in his mind. He explained what was in them and how he made them to the last degree of oven temperature. Panny was sure they were delicious but didn't offer to buy. Bill scratched his head and adopted different tactics. He said, "Mrs. Graham, what in heck's wrong with my pies?"

"Oh, I'm sure there's nothing wrong."

"Then why don't folks buy them," exploded Bill.

Fanny smiled in a pitying way. "Well, most folks buy from Hannah."

After Panny had gone, Bill phoned Ed. Peery at the Bugle. When he quit listening to Ed he knew as much about Hannah as anybody in town.

He knew she baked pies in her kitchen and toiled them on a little red wagon that Mark Shannon, the blacksmith, had built special. "Yep," Ed had said, "I remember when she came from Ireland. Worked for the Fairchilds before they moved to the city, then she kept house for Judge Benton till he died and left her the cottage on Maple Street. Took to baking pies and mothering all the boys in town. No, never did marry. Had plenty of offers though. Said she didn't love none of us in a marrying-way but I suspect she was too busy looking after other folk to find the time."

Bill lay awake longer than usual that night. A bachelor and turned fifty he wasn't a grasping man but figured he was entitled to a share of the pie trade. That's why he put a sign in the window next day and

poncing a price cut. Then he sat back and waited. Next day the sign said "Half Price." He sat and waited some more but when he looked up he was desperate. Desperate enough to phone Fanny and ask her right out why she bought Hannah's pies instead of his. He detected a chuckle in Fanny's voice.

"Well, it's kind of hard to explain to a man," she said.

"Try," pleaded Bill.

"When Hannah calls around us women pay for more than just a pie. We get a piece of sunshine, too."

Bill's bushy brows shot up. "Sunshine?"

"Yes, she leaves some of it every-

place she goes." Then, as though it were an afterthought, "Besides there's always time for a little gossip."

Bill quit baking pies and spent the time thinking hard on what Fanny had said.

After Hannah showed Bill into the parlour he took an immediate dislike to his own room. The Dresden and Wedgwood started it off. The wing-

chair and glowing coal finished it. Looking into twinkling blue eyes he knew he shouldn't have come. Never-

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Bill could only clear his throat.

"I love to bake," Hannah went on, "and as for pulling the wagon, sure and that's just visiting, and what woman doesn't like that?"

Bill coughed. Things weren't going right.

"I'm lucky," Hannah said. "Most women don't get time for visiting."

Bill knew when he was licked. He grunted once or twice then got up to go but somehow it was two hours and several pieces of pie before he got around to saying goodnight.

After that, Bill became a frequent visitor to the little parlor and folks wondered. I don't know why. If Hannah liked Bill's stubborn bluntness; if she felt the need of a strong shoulder once in a while, why, I guess that's love too.

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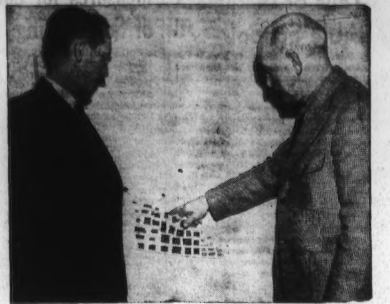
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STUDYING AN IRRIGATION MAP OF Saskatchewan are, (left), J.W. Byers, engineer, and W.W. Baird, superintendent of the Dominion Experimental Farm, Neppan, N.S., who attended the recent P.F.R.A. conference.

## OIL WELL BLOWS IN AT PINCHER CREEK

CALGARY. — The Gulf Oil Company's Pincher Creek No. 1 well blew in again and produced slightly more than 12 barrels of 54 gravity oil hourly through a three-quarter-inch choke.

It is reported here that the accompanying natural gas flow was between 10 and 12 billion cubic feet a day.

Many oil men in western Canada think that any successful opening of a well in this Pincher Creek area may mean that another large producing field may be started here.

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**Withdraw from Rosebud League**  
A torrid meeting of the Rosebud baseball league was held in the main lecture room of the O. S. A. on Tuesday evening April 28th at 8.30 p.m.  
Discussion centred around the formation of a league that would include all teams from Innisfail to Airdrie and on motion by the Oids delegates a vote was taken on whether or not the league would be split into two parts with Oids to be included in the north half. This motion was countered by a motion to have one big league with no divisions and this later amendment carried by a vote of 8 to 3.  
Delegates from Oids, Summit and Reed Ranch who were opposed to the formation of the big league on the grounds of the huge expenses that would be incurred in travelling then withdrew from the league and the meeting.  
A meeting of the representatives of the Oids, Summit and the Reed Ranch teams will be held on Saturday afternoon in the Independent Elevator to discuss the formation of a local league.  
Fleet Kirkham of Innisfail is to be the new vice-president of the enlarged Rosebud league and Joe Thompson of Innisfail is the new secretary.  
Delegates from Innisfail, Bowden Summit, Reed Ranch, Oids, Didsbury, Melvin, Chinleins, Cremona, Airdrie and Crossfield were on hand for the meeting.

## Tells of Naramata Bible School

Rev. W. H. Moss returned recently from Naramata, B. C. where he spent a week as lecturer at the United Church Leadership Training School. This school was opened in January of this year and is now completing a four months course in basic training for christian leadership in the local churches. Rev. R. A. McFarlane who hails from Bowden, Alberta is the principal and he has called in from the pastorate several ministers to give short courses to the forty students who have been in attendance.  
Living accommodation has been provided in a hotel which is owned by a fruit packing company and which is used in the summer and autumn as living quarters for the workers in the packing plant. Permanent buildings are now being erected by the Church and will be ready for occupancy for the class of 1948-49. This class will begin their studies on October 1st in a six month course that will run till March 31st, 1949.

Naramata is located in a prosperous fruit growing district on the shore of Lake Okanagan a few miles from Penticton. When Mr. Moss was there, garden stuff was coming up and the blossoms were coming out on the apricot trees.

## Rules for Growing Registered Seed

Farmers of this district are becoming more and more conscious of the rich dividends that can be had from the growing and sale of registered seed. Some may be interested but at the same time how to go about it. Here is the answer as supplied by the Dominion Department of Agriculture.  
To grow registered seed the crop must be grown from seed which is already registered. This, because all registered seed must trace back through its parents to pure bred stock which has a pedigree registered in the books of the Canadian Seed Growers' Association. All registered tags which are attached to the bags of seed must be saved as the numbers on them are used to establish the pedigree. Unless a start is made with registered seed the crop cannot be registered because it loses its eligibility for registration if it misses such recognition for a year.  
Information as to procedure for growing registered seed is contained in Booklet No. 6 published by the Canadian Seed Growers' Association, 321 Beaver Street, Ottawa, a copy of which is available on request.  
Actually the procedure for growing registered crops and producing registered seed resolves itself around the strict precautions which must be taken to prevent the contamination of the crop and the seed. For instance, if registered wheat is sown in a field which has produced commercial wheat the year before the field will be turned down for registration, because volunteer plants might come up from the previous crop. The field too must be isolated from adjoining crops by natural barriers or by a cultivated strip. All machinery such as seeders, binders, combines, wagons or trucks must be carefully cleaned before being used to prevent contamination.  
Growers of registered seed send an application for crop inspection to the nearest District Supervisor, Plant Products Division, Dominion Department of Agriculture, and an inspector visits the farm before harvesting.

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## Measures for Control of Soil Drifting

Soil drifting, although less evident during the past few years than during the early thirties, was recorded for nine of the past ten years by the Dominion Experimental sub-station at Regina, Sask. Most of this drifting occurred before spring tillage on land summerfallowed the previous year, but stubble fields which had been burned in the spring frequently drifted before being cultivated or seeded. The recurrence of soil drifting year after year plus the realization that drier years will come indicate the importance of adhering to those farming practices which will prevent soil erosion.  
At the Regina sub-station a number of practices designed to control soil drifting on summerfallow land are being compared. Of these, retaining stubble as a trash cover has been the most satisfactory method under average conditions and farmers in the district generally cultivate their summerfallow with this object in mind.  
Cover crops sown on summerfallow about August 1 were usually effective but under conditions of drought or grasshopper infestation when protection was most needed, satisfactory stands were difficult to establish.

The practice of leaving a late fall growth of weeds to protect the soil from drifting was less satisfactory than a stubble trash cover or cover crops. A sufficiently uniform cover was seldom obtained and the weeds rapidly decayed at the ground surface and were blown about by strong winds.  
Spreading straw in the fall was very effective in preventing soil drifting on summerfallow especially when discing lightly to anchor the straw. However, a reduction in yields the following year usually resulted from this practice. Spreading straw should be a useful treatment in an emergency where soil drifting seems likely to occur during the winter or spring.

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